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Renewable Energy Portfolio Rulemaking-RPS II

Dear Ms Karp:

I am the owner of Anderson Timber Harvesting, Inc. in Westminster, Massachusetts. My business is the management and logging of timberlands and wood lots. I employ about six people through this business.

I am aware that the Department is seeking comments on its proposed final rule for the renewable energy portfolio regulations as they will apply to existing renewable power plants.

Because the existing renewable energy power plants include existing wood burning power plants, these final regulations can affect my business. The wood burning plant, Pinetree Fitchburg, is a major customer for my company's wood chips. The existence of that power plant helps my company to manage and selectively cut and economically improve wood lots that might not otherwise be properly managed if there was not a buyer for the lower quality wood. Obviously, the existing Pinetree wood power plant and others like it are important for steady employment in forestry business like mine.

I request that the final regulation include increased renewable credit incentives for existing wood power plants that help create and support forest industry jobs.

Very truly yours,



Mitch Anderson

Cc: Senator J. Flanagan  
Secretary of Energy Ian Bowles